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ITALY.

Status of Cholera.

Surgeon Geddings at Naples reports November 21:

During the week ended November 19 cholera was reported in Italy as follows:

Province.	Cases.	Deaths.
Naples.....	6	1
Caltanissetta.....	2	1
Campobasso.....	1	.....
Caserta.....	25	6
Girgenti.....	1	.....
Lecce.....	1	1
Palermo.....	10	.....
Rome.....	10	1
	56	10

Doctor Geddings further reported:

Naples, week ended December 6, none; rest of Italy 55 cases with 6 deaths.

NAPLES—Examination of Emigrants—Smallpox.

Surgeon Geddings reports:

Vessels inspected at Naples and Palermo, week ended November 19.

NAPLES.

Date.	Name of ship.	Destination.	Steerage passengers inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Nov. 17	Regina d'Italia.....	New York.....	420	80	625
17	Italia.....	do.....	274	60	390
17	Saxonia.....	do.....	.....	.....	.....
18	Canopic.....	Boston.....	835	205	1,155
18	San Giovanni.....	New York.....	129	12	260
19	Europa.....	do.....	1,122	190	1,480
	Total.....		2,780	547	3,910

PALERMO.

Nov. 18	Regina d'Italia.....	New York.....	221	350	125
18	Italia.....	do.....	275	475	250
19	Canopic.....	Boston.....	89	200	75
19	San Giovanni.....	New York.....	234	500	250
	Total.....		819	1,525	700

Rejections recommended.

NAPLES.

Date.	Name of ship.	Trachoma.	Favus.	Suspected trachoma.	Suspected favus.	Other causes.	Total.
Nov. 17	Regina d'Italia.....	24	1	5	.....	2	32
17	Italia.....	11	1	1	.....	3	16
18	Canopic.....	19	3	4	1	2	29
18	San Giovanni.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
19	Europa.....	35	1	9	.....	5	50
	Total.....	93	6	19	1	12	131

*Vessels inspected at Naples and Palermo, week ended November 19—Continued.**Rejections recommended—Continued.*

PALERMO.

Date.	Name of ship.	Trachoma.	Favus.	Suspected trachoma.	Suspected favus.	Other causes.	Total.
Nov. 18	Regina d'Italia.....	15	.....	12	.....	4	31
18	Italia.....	13	.....	14	.....	6	33
19	Canopic.....	4	.....	3	.....	1	8
19	San Giovanni.....	12	.....	12	.....	2	26
	Total.....	44	.....	41	.....	13	98

Smallpox in Naples.—During the week ended November 19, 9 cases of smallpox were reported at the health office of the city of Naples.

JAPAN.

Cholera, Plague, and Smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Moore, at Kobe, reports November 16:

During the week ended November 12 there were 5 deaths from cholera and 1 case of smallpox in Kobe.

Surgeon Irwin, at Yokohama, reports November 14:

A fatal case of cholera was reported at Tokyo October 17. Plague continues present on the island of Shikoku, 23 cases with 16 deaths being reported to date for the city of Matsuyama.

MANCHURIA.

Plague.

Consul Greene at Harbin, Manchuria, reports, November 12:

On October 25 the attention of the Russian railway officials at Manchuria station (Manchouli) was called to 2 cases of Chinese who were ill with symptoms of inflammation of the lungs. During the night one of the patients died, and as a result of an autopsy and bacteriological examination the presence of the plague bacillus was discovered. On the same day 9 Chinese were found dead of the disease. According to the statements of the Russian health officers employed by the Chinese Eastern Railway, the plague is of the pneumonic type, which is more virulent than the bubonic plague, more commonly known in the Far East. It appears to have been prevalent for some time among the tarabagans, a kind of large prairie dog, found in eastern Mongolia, which is hunted by the Chinese for its fur. Large quantities of the skins have been shipped to Europe during the last few years, and the prices offered for them have risen so fast that great numbers of Chinese have been attracted to the business of catching the animals. All the first cases of plague are reported to have occurred among the tarabagan hunters.

The Chinese quarter of the settlement at Manchuria station, where the hunters were living, was promptly isolated and military guards posted about the infected houses to prevent communication with them. Mounted patrols were placed on the three roads leading from Mongolia to Manchuria.

On October 27 a special sanitary executive committee was appointed at Manchuria station, and an observation station was established, to which all persons who might have come into contact